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Invention: MULTIAXIAL CONNECTION FOR OSTEOSYNTHESIS

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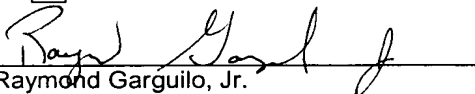
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	35	- 20 =	15	x 18.00	270.00
Independent Claims	4	- 3 =	1	x 86.00	86.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					466.00

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